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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act allowing a county board of supervisors to expend moneys  
2 from the local emergency management fund for a joint law  
3 enforcement communications center.  
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:  
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1 1 Section 1. Section 29C.17, subsections 4 and 5, Code 2007,  
1 2 are amended to read as follows:  
1 3 4. Expenditures from the local emergency management fund  
1 4 shall be made on warrants drawn by the county auditor,  
1 5 supported by claims and vouchers signed by the emergency  
1 6 management coordinator, ~~or~~ chairperson of the commission, or  
1 7 for purposes of a joint law enforcement communications center,  
1 8 the board of supervisors.

1 9 5. Subject to chapter 24, the commission shall adopt,  
1 10 certify, and submit a budget, on or before February 28 of each  
1 11 year, to the county board of supervisors and the cities for  
1 12 the ensuing fiscal year which will include an itemized list of  
1 13 the number of emergency management personnel, their salaries  
1 14 and cost of personnel benefits, travel and transportation  
1 15 costs, fixed costs of operation, and all other anticipated  
1 16 emergency management expenses. The salaries and compensation  
1 17 of agency personnel coming under the merit system as  
1 18 determined by the commission will include salary schedules for  
1 19 classes in which the salary of a class is based on merit  
1 20 qualifications for the positions. The budget shall account  
1 21 for expenditures by the board of supervisors to construct and  
1 22 operate a joint law enforcement communications center.

1 23 Sec. 2. Section 29C.17, Code 2007, is amended by adding  
1 24 the following new subsection:  
1 25 NEW SUBSECTION. 6. Notwithstanding the commission's  
1 26 fiscal authority under this section, the board of supervisors  
1 27 may expend moneys from the fund to construct and operate a  
1 28 joint law enforcement communications center to serve emergency  
1 29 responders countywide. For purposes of this section,  
1 30 "emergency responders" means fire fighters, law enforcement  
1 31 officers, emergency medical service personnel, and other  
1 32 personnel having emergency response duties within the county.

## 1 33 EXPLANATION

1 34 This bill allows a county board of supervisors to expend  
1 35 moneys from the local emergency management fund to construct  
2 1 and operate a joint law enforcement communications center to  
2 2 serve emergency responders countywide. The bill gives the  
2 3 board of supervisors this authority to expend such funds  
2 4 despite the county emergency management commission's statutory  
2 5 authority over this fund. The bill defines "emergency  
2 6 responders" to mean fire fighters, law enforcement officers,  
2 7 emergency medical service personnel, and other personnel  
2 8 having emergency response duties within the county.

2 9 The bill provides that expenditures by the board of  
2 10 supervisors from the local emergency management fund shall be  
2 11 made on warrants drawn by the county auditor, supported by  
2 12 claims and vouchers signed by the board of supervisors.

2 13 The commission is required to submit a budget each year.  
2 14 The bill provides that the budget account for expenditures by  
2 15 the board of supervisors to construct and operate a joint law  
2 16 enforcement communications center.

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